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**“Pete vs. the Python” Questions**

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  - c. a park service worker trains her dog to look for pythons.
  - d. dogs are sniffing out quails.
  
- \_\_\_ 2. The main idea of the second and third paragraphs is that
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  - b. Lori Oberhofer got her idea from Jack Russell terriers.
  - c. Everglades National Park has too many pythons.
  - d. the beagle tracks the pythons by smell.
  
- \_\_\_ 3. When the park officials “spring into action,” they
  - a. begin work when warm weather comes.
  - b. move quickly to start working.
  - c. begin to work with “Python Pete”.
  - d. dump the pythons into the forests.
  
- \_\_\_ 4. The beagle is learning to follow a python scent because
  - a. by following it, he will find his favorite toy.
  - b. he likes the pythons.
  - c. he wants to please his owner.
  - d. he wants to be like a Jack Russell terrier.
  
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Answers will vary. The park worker got the idea to train her dog to sniff out the pythons, because she saw another dog sniffing out tree snakes in an airport. This detail supports the main idea of the passage, that a park worker is training her dog to look for pythons that are overpopulating Florida.

*Suggested Additional Vocabulary: harness, cargo, native*